



Patent

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In RE application of T. FUJITA et al.

Serial No.: 10/657,162

Group Art Unit: 2153

For: MANAGING METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING
CAPACITY OF STORAGE

Examiner: S. REILLY

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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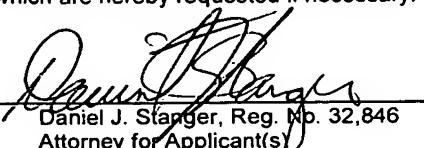
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Sir:

In reply to the Communication mailed May 19, 2006, indicating that the reply filed on February 28, 2006, was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action, the Applicants respond as follows.